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In re: Hillbush et al.
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SYSTEMS AND METHODS

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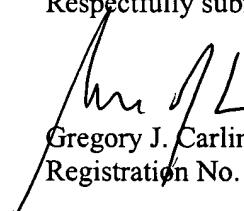
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2002, in which the Examiner has required election between (I) Figure 1; (II) Figure 2; (III) Figure 3; (IV) Figure 4; (V) Figure 5; (VI) Figure 6; (VII) Figures 7A-7B; (VIII) Figures 8A-8B; (IX) Figure 9; (X) Figure 10; (XI) Figure 11; (XII) Figure 12; (XIII) Figure 13; (XIV) Figure 14; (XV) Figures 15A-15F; (XVI) Figure 16; (XVII) Figure 17; (XVIII) Figure 18; (XIX) Figures 19A-19B; (XX) Figure 20; (XXI) Figure 21; (XXII) Figure 22; and (XXII) Figure 23. Applicant hereby provisionally elects with traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I, Figure 1, which we believe correspond to the subject matter described in Claims 1-5, 9-15, 19-28, 32-38, 44-45, 47, 49-54, 57-60, 62, 64, 66-73, 78-83, 89-90, 92, 94-100, 103-105, 107, 109, 111-121, 163-164, 168-173 and 175, and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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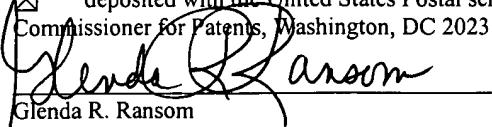
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